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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 23, line 15 with the following amended paragraph:

Figures 8A-8B present schematic representations of the amino acid sequences of CD28BP-15 ~~CD28BP-12~~ and CTLA-4 5x4-12c and the genealogy of these sequences.